

REMARKS

This preliminary amendment is submitted to correct informalities on the current application. More specifically, previous to this amendment, the application contained two sets of claims 7, 8, 72 and 73. The numbering of the claims has been corrected by canceling a set of claims 7, 8, 72 and 73 and by re-entering them as claims 95, 96, 97 and 98. No new matter has been added with this preliminary amendment.

Upon entry of this Preliminary Amendment, Applicants believe that all pending claims are ready for examination. Examination of the subject application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner has any questions pertaining to this application or feels that a telephone conference would in any way expedite the prosecution of the application, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at (408) 731-5000.

Applicants believe that no fee is due with the submission of this document. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 01-0431.

Respectfully submitted,

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